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1. Activity on the part of anti-Communist Slav organizations in Argentina has noticeably increased in recent months. However, [redacted] of these groups reveals that their effectiveness is considerably impaired by their lack of unity and efficient organization.
2. Following is a list of anti-Communist Slav publications, all of which, except Laikas, are written in the Russian language and printed by the Olsewicz-Lasecki firm located at Calle Dorrego 1102:
 - a. Nasha Strana (Our Side), which has a circulation of 4,000, is financed by a group of White Russian Monarchists, who arrived from Europe during the past year, and favors the reestablishment of a monarchy in Russia.
 - b. Suvoroviec, a new publication published by a group of the Czarist and the German armies, is directed by Major (fnu) Holmstrom, who was attached to the German High Command during World War II and who is said to be forming a legion of 1,500 ex-officers and soldiers, principally White Russians, who are currently in Argentina.
 - c. Halonetz is published by a group composed of Russians and Eastern Europeans who escaped from their homelands in recent years and who have no desire to return.
 - d. Seyatel (The Sower), a long-established newspaper which recently increased its circulation by several hundred, is directed by Vladimir Schapkin, former president of the Russian Fascist Party of Argentina which was founded in 1934.
 - e. Laikas (The Time), a magazine which made its first appearance in September 1948, is published by Lithuanian Catholic priests.
3. The following anti-Communist Slav groups have been recently organized in Argentina:
 - a. Comite Centro y Este Europeo (Central and Eastern European Committee) was organized within the past two months by E. Eustachewicz, former vice-consul in Paris of the London Polish Government and a friend of former Polish Minister to Argentina, Miroslaw Arciszewski. Eustachewicz arrived in Argentina several months ago. The anti-Soviet Lithuanian

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community is represented by Teodoro Dankantas, ex-Minister of War in Lithuania, who arrived in Argentina this year. The morale of the committee was considerably lifted by the recent announcement from Washington of the recognition of a new Latvian Minister in that city. The former Latvian Charge d'Affaires in Argentina, Peters Z. Olins, recently arrived in Buenos Aires from Brazil and is believed to be active in the committee.

- b. Liga Esclava-Argentina de la Lucha Contra el Comunismo (Anti-Communist Slav-Argentine League), which is believed to have received at least semi-official approval of the Argentine government, was organized and is directed by the Ukrainian priest Father Aleksy Pelypenko [REDACTED] Comment. Pelypenko, who favors an independent Ukraine and is bitterly anti-Polish, is also the director of a weekly Spanish-language newspaper called Tribuna Popular.) This group has numerous "observers" in the Chaco and Misiones territories where there are large Slav Communist colonies.

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